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LYNCHING MAY LEAD TO RACE RIOTS

Nearly a Thousand Negroes Quit
Work in Chattanooga and are
Angry and Sullen.

Trouble Arose Over Lynching of
Negro Granted an Appeal.

INFANTRY, CAVALRY AND ARTIL-
LERY IN THE CITY EXPECT TO
BE CALLED OUT FOR DUTY—
POLICE ORDERED ALL SALOONS
CLOSED AS MATTER OF PRE-
CAUTION.

By Associated Press.
Chattanooga, Mar. 20.—Nearly a
thousand negroes stopped work in
several large plants to-day and are
standing around in groups talking.
Women servants in many instances
left their employment and are more
sullen and angry than the men.

The trouble arose over the lynching
of Ed. Johnson, the negro, con-
victed of assault, whose case had
been appealed to the United States
supreme court.

NO CRIME WAS COMMITTED

BY OFFICERS OF INSURANCE
COMPANIES IN CONTRIB-
UTING TO POLITICAL CAM-
PAIGN FUNDS.

By Associated Press.
New York, Mar. 20.—The giving
of political contributions from the
funds of a life insurance company
by the officers of such company does
not constitute larceny or any other
crime, in the opinion of District At-
torney Jerome. This opinion was
submitted to Justice O'Sullivan, in
the court of general sessions to-day.
The opinion was given in connection
with the presentation on the insur-
ance investigation which was handed
to the court by the grand jury several
days ago.

SOUTHERNFLOODS ARE SUBSIDING

By Associated Press.
Atlanta, Mar. 20.—Reports from the
section of the south which suffered
most from the heavy rainstorm say
the floods are beginning to subside
and railroads are repairing damages.
Trains are again running on schedule
time on nearly all of the roads affect-
ed.

GEORGIA PEACH CROP IN DANGER

By Associated Press.
Atlanta, Mar. 20.—Reports from var-
ious sections of the peach belt to-
night show that the growers are ap-
prehensive of danger. The local
weather bureau predicts a drop to 25
degrees here and to freezing or lower
all over the peach belt. No damage
was done to the crop last night as the
wind was high, preventing ice from
forming.

Second Day's Session of the Standard Oil Ouster Case

By Associated Press.
St. Louis, Mar. 20.—The second
day's session of the oil hearing in
the ouster case of the State of Mis-
souri against the Standard, Republic
and Waters-Pierce Oil Companies was
marked by the failure of H. Clay
Pierce to appear as a witness, the
even testimony of Dr. Bond, his phy-

ADMIRAL DEWEY PLEADS FOR GIANT BATTLESHIPS

ROOSEVELT TO MAKE
WEST INDIES CRUISE

By Associated Press.
Washington, Mar. 20.—Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by her sons, Archie and Quentin and daughter, Miss Ethel, and, possibly her son, Kerm, who is in school at Groton, Mass., will leave Washington the latter part of next week for Florida. At some convenient port they will board the naval yacht Mayflower and make a cruise to the West Indies. The party will be absent about two weeks.

NEGRO EXPIRED IN PENSACOLA OF WOUNDS

Received at Crestview Sunday
Morning, When He Was
Shot in Arm.

Ervin Brown, a negro employed by the L. & N. road on the section force, died in Pensacola Monday night of wounds which he received Sunday morning at Crestview, when he was shot by a negro named Reynolds. The shooting occurred in a section house, Reynolds using a shot gun, and the charge almost tore the right arm from the body of Brown. The wound was a terrible one, and the man lost much blood. He was placed on the train Sunday night and brought to Pensacola for the arm to be amputated and for treatment, but his condition was such that there was no hope for him, and he died Monday night. The shooting was caused by some trouble which had occurred between the two negroes the day previous and which had been renewed Sunday morning. The body was prepared for shipment yesterday and sent to Crestview yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT CRESTVIEW

Special to The Journal.
Crestview, Mar. 20.—A shooting af-
ray occurred here early Sunday in the colored section house when a section hand named Reynolds shot Ervin Brown, a negro working for Rich-
bourg and Co. Reynolds used a shot gun at close quarters, and the loss took effect in Brown's right arm just below the shoulder cutting it nearly off, and passed on in front of his breast. Brown was sent to the hos-
pital in Pensacola where he died Monday morning. Deputy Sheriff Gaine came on the mail train with blood hounds, and tried all night to get on track of Reynolds, but was unsuccessful, and Reynolds is still at large.

MOODY FINISHED IN PACKERS CASE

ATTORNEY GENERAL CLAIMS
THEY ARE NOT ENTITLED TO
IMMUNITY.

By Associated Press.
Chicago, Mar. 20.—Attorney General Moody spoke nearly all day in the hearing of the immunity pleas advanced by the packers, concluding his argument just in time to catch a train for Washington. He declared the pleas were not well founded and that they were not entitled to immunity because they had given the evidence of their own free will.

Attorney Miller for the defendants made a brief reply. He will continue his argument tomorrow.

Immense Vessels of War are the
Crying Need of United
States Navy.

THE PENSIONS BILL

Appropriating One Hundred and
Forty Million Passed.

SENATE DECIDES COAST FOR-
TIFICATIONS FOR PHILIPPINES
ARE UNNECESSARY—HOUSE
TRANSACTION BUSINESS WITH
MICROSCOPE IN ONE HAND AND
SPENT THE DAY DEBATING
QUESTIONS OF PETTY ECON-
OMY.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Mar. 20.—Great bat-
tleships like the eighteen thousand
ton English battleship Dreadnought
are the crying need of the American
navy, according to Admiral George Dewey, who appeared before the
House Committee on Naval Affairs
to-day to discuss the future of the
American navy.

At least eighteen thousand ton bat-
tleships with ten twelve inch guns
each should be authorized at once, in
Admiral Dewey's opinion. He would
have these of American design and
thinks we should be creative rather
than imitative in developing the
navy.

Admiral Dewey also believes in ex-
tensive experiments with submarine
boats.

APPROPRIATION BILL FOR PENSIONS PASSED

Washington, Mar. 20.—In less than
twenty minutes time the senate to-
day voted away one hundred and
forty million dollars of public funds.
This was carried by the pension ap-
propriation bill, which, being a brief
document, was made the subject of
very little discussion.

The railroad rate bill was laid aside
for to-day and the major portion of
the time devoted to consideration of
the fortifications appropriation bill.
In that connection the question of
the necessity for a sea coast fortifica-
tion in the Philippines was discussed at
considerable length with the result
that all provisions for such an approp-
riation in these possessions were
eliminated.

PICAYUNISH SPIRIT PERVADES THE HOUSE

Washington, Mar. 20.—The House

ARMED MEN PILLAGE
BIG BANK AT MOSCOW

By Associated Press.
Moscow, Mar. 20.—As the of-
ficials were closing the Mutual
Credit Bank here this after-
noon, twenty armed men sur-
rounded the building, which is
located near the Bourse and,
covering the employees with their
revolvers, pillaged the place,
getting away with four
hundred and twenty-five thou-
sand dollars, and made their es-
cape in spite of efforts of the
bank guards to arrest them.

CENSUS REPORT OF COTTON CROP

Places Total at 10,697,013 Bales,
Over Three Million Less
Than Year Previous.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Mar. 20.—The bulletin
issued today by the Census Bureau
shows the complete cotton crop of last
year, counting round bales as half
bales, to be 10,697,013 compared with
13,697,310 bales in 1904 and 10,015,721
for 1903. The average gross weight
this season is 503.8 pounds making
the crop equivalent, in five hundred
pounds bales, to 10,777,510 bales.
40,112 bales, estimated as gunners
remaining to be ginned, are included
in the report.

of Representatives to-day transacted
business with a microscope in one
hand and a bill making appropriation
for salaries for its employees and of-
ficers in the other. The result was
that, although five and one half hours
were spent in reading the legislative
appropriation bill for amendment,
less than 25 pages of the measure
were completed.

The spirit of economy in little
things was all absorbing. The final
rounding for the day was a debate as to
whether the House could get a good
packing boxes as the senate did for
its members, and finally a move was
made to eliminate packing boxes from
the perquisites of members, which
failed.

THE MOUNT DAJO FIGHT

Governor General Says Reports of
Fight are Sensational and
Absolutely False.

NO KILLING EXCEPT THAT ASSO-
LUTELY NECESSARY TO END
AN INTOLERABLE SITUATION—
TROOPS AND OFFICERS DE-
SERVE HIGHEST PRAISE FOR
THEIR WORK.

By Associated Press.
Washington, Mar. 20.—Secretary
Taft today received the following dis-
patch from the governor general re-
garding the Mount Dajo fight:
"Newspaper reports announcing the
wanton slaughter of women and chil-
dren at Mount Dajo are extremely
sensational and absolutely false. The
situation of the Moros was extremely
difficult and required a display of
great heroism by the army, navy and
Filipino constabulary. Some women
and children were killed in the pre-
liminary shelling at a distance, but
there was no killing of any one ex-
cept as indispensable to end an in-
tolerable situation. The troops and of-
ficers deserve the highest praise."

SPENT SHORT TIME HERE

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE
NAVY NEWBERRY HAS DE-
PARTED FOR KEY
WEST.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy W.
T. Newberry, who arrived here Sun-
day at noon from New Orleans, has
departed on the Scorpion. His next
stopping place will be Key West, and
from there he will go to Charleston
and, having completed his tour of in-
spection.

While here the assistant secretary
made a thorough inspection of the
local yard, visiting all of the depart-
ments, where work of various
kinds is being done, and from what
can be learned he was well pleased
with the condition of the place and
the class of work that is being turned
out there.

This was not the first visit of Mr.
Newberry to the Pensacola yard, as
he was here over a year ago, and
made an inspection of the place.

BURNHAM'S SLAYER STILL AT LARGE

MEN SAY THEY
WILL NOT GO
TO WORK

Object to C. H. Gingles, and
Want Long as Street Su-
perintendent.

A number of the drivers, laborers
and others employed in the street de-
partment, stated last night that they
intended refusing to go to work this
morning, provided that C. H. Gingles
is street superintendent.
Some of the drivers stated last
night that they did not intend to
work under Mr. Gingles, preferring
Mr. Long, who, they claim, is entitled
to the office and who is a good street
superintendent.

The drivers held a meeting last
night, when all of them declared
they would refuse to take out their
carts and wagons this morning until
they learned the status of things. All
of the men were present, except two.
Later the laborers got together and
came to the same conclusion.

Since Mr. Gingles is under suspen-
sion pending his trial, and Assistant
Superintendent Spottswood is in
charge of the work, it is probable
that the men will go to work as
usual this morning.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HAS BEEN CALLED TO MEET
SATURDAY NIGHT BY CHAIR-
MAN FRANK REILLY.

Chairman Frank Reilly of the Es-
cambla County Democratic Executive
Committee, has issued a call for a
meeting of that committee for Sat-
urday night, March 24, when arrange-
ments will be made for the first pri-
mary, which is to be held May 15.

There will be a meeting of the
County Democratic Executive Com-
mittee held at the court house Sat-
urday, the 24th inst., at 8 o'clock p.
m., for the purpose of issuing a call
for the holding of a Democratic pri-
mary election May 15, 1906.

W. C. JONES, Secretary.
FRANK REILLY, Chairman.

50,000 MINERS NOW ON STRIKE

GENDARMES AND STRIKERS
HAVE SEVERE ENCOUNTER
IN CITY OF LENS,
FRANCE.

By Associated Press.
Lens, France, Mar. 20.—Striking
miners and gendarmes had a severe
encounter to-day in front of the
town hall here, where the miners' con-
gress is in session. The gen-
darmes charged several times and
several were trampled under foot.
Among those taken into custody was
the president of the miners congress.
The miners congress is expected to
reject the operators' terms. Fifty
one thousand miners are now on
strike.

Negro Arrested at Westville Yes-
terday Proved to Be the
Wrong Man.

Brought as Far as Mossy Head
and Then Given Freedom.

OFFICERS GREATLY DISAPPOINT-
ED THAT RIGHT MAN WAS NOT
CAPTURED—SOME TALK OF
LYNCHING ON STREETS LAST
EVENING—NO CLUE TO WHERE
ABOUTS OF ARDIS.

Hopes ran high in the breasts of
the county and city officers for a short
time yesterday afternoon. A tele-
gram was received from Westville
that James Ardis, the murderer of
Police Officer Burnham had been ar-
rested there by a deputy sheriff. The
telegram also requested that the Pen-
sacola officers meet the west bound
train at Mossy Head and take charge
of the prisoner.

When the east bound train left the
union depot yesterday afternoon there
were on board Sheriff Van Pelt, De-
puty Sanders and Marshal Schad. There
were smiles upon their faces, as they
thought of the negro under arrest.
They as well as others, were doomed
to disappointment, for when the two
trains met and the officers got a
glimpse at the negro under arrest,
Deputy Sanders saw at a glance that
the wrong man had been arrested.
The disappointment was great, and
the officers boarded the west bound
train and returned to the city. The
deputy at Westville, who had made
the arrest, was also a disappointed
man, as he had visions of that \$200
reward offered by the sheriff and mar-
shal for the arrest of Ardis.

Was Beating His Way.
The negro who was arrested for
Ardis gave his name as Reuben Wil-
liams. His home is in Mississippi,
but he had been working for some
time at Florida. He decided to go
elsewhere, so started out to beat his
way on a freight train. In passing
Westville he was seen by the deputy,
who thought that he was Ardis, so
proceeded to place him under arrest.
The negro wore a dark pair of pants
and had a pair of overalls with him. He
was not tall or heavy enough for Ar-
dis, and his color was much too light.

Talk of Lynching.
During the early portion of last
night, and before it became known
that the wrong negro had been ar-
rested, there was considerable talk upon
the streets of lynching the negro when
he arrived in Pensacola. Most of this
talk, however, was from young men,
and amounted to but little. About 10
o'clock quite a large crowd gathered
at the union depot, and it seemed for
a short time that possibly something
of this nature might be attempted
when the train arrived. The crowds
continued to gather and grow larger
up to about 10:30 o'clock, when it was
announced that the train was twenty
minutes late. A few left upon re-
ceiving this information, but the ma-
jority of them remained until it was
announced that the train was an hour
and thirty minutes late.

This message had the effect of
sending most of the crowd home, and
those who lingered left as soon as a
message arrived stating that the
wrong man had been arrested, and
that the officers were returning home.
They reached here shortly before 1
o'clock having had their trip for noth-
ing.

No Clue as to Whereabouts.
There is now no clue as to the
whereabouts of the murderer of Of-
ficer Burnham. It was thought that
the county and surrounding towns
had been so well blocked and every-
one so on the alert that it would be
impossible for the negro to get
through without arrest, but it is pos-
sible that he got out of this section
before this was accomplished.

Extensive Mutiny Reported Among Sailors at Sebastopol

By Associated Press.
St. Petersburg, Mar. 20.—The most
sensational reports current to-night
are that the execution of former Lieut-
enant Schmidt, which made a deep
impression throughout Russia, has
been followed by an extensive
mutiny of sailors at Sebastopol, the
massacre of their officers and firing
by the fortress upon the city. The
truth of the story is doubted, this be-
ing the "psychological moment" for
the appearance of such wild reports.
No press dispatches confirming the
story have been received, but if the
reports prove to be true the absence
of these might be accounted for by
the imposition and a censorship.



SPRING—HERE, MR. WINTER, IS WHERE YOU ARE HANDED YOUR TRANSFER TICKETS.
SPRING BEGINS MARCH 21—FORECAST BY OUR MR. ALMANAC